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NAMES OF MEMBERS.

Abrahams Alfred, N. Y.,	Griscom S. E.,	Payne W. Y.
Bosbyshell O. C.,	Heebner John,	Prior A.,
Boone Milton,	Hegeman J. R.,	Pershing C. L.,
Bertram J. P.,	Helfenstein W. L.,	Passmore G. H.,
Beatty J. B.	Hirshler M.,	Russel Henry C.,
Beck Isaac,	Halberstadt A. H.,	Roseberry J. W.,
Bickel John W.,	Hewes Mrs. J. G.,	Roads J. O.,
*Beatty J. M.,	Hobart J. P.,	Robertson A.
Bowen Charles T.,	Huntzinger J. A.,	Rohrheimer M.,
Bartholomew L.	Haskell W. H.,	Reilly T. A.,
*Bannan John,	Heebner Mrs. J.,	Reilly Mrs. T. A.,
*Ball Silas,	Huber Levi,	Russel Mrs. H. C.,
Bannan B.,	Henning D. C.,	Rosenthal Mrs. H.,
Beveridge D.,	Haywood Benjamin	Sheafer P. W.,
Bannan T. R.,	Joseph Elias,	*Silliman A. S.,
Beck George W.,	Krotosky Isaac,	Smith Wm. R.,
Baber Charles,	Kopitzsch C. F.,	Sillyman Mrs. Marg.,
Bright M.,	Kopitzsch Mrs. C. F.,	Strauch T.
Boone Mrs. M.,	Kline Jacob,	Sigfried J. K.,
Bull Thomas,	Lewis Wm. P.,	Shippen John,
Brown D. P.,	Little C.,	Stellwagon Wm. M.,
Bickel Anna M.,	Lord Charles,	Stein Mrs. J. P.,
Beehtel O. P.,	Lord Mrs. Leah,	Snyder G. W.,
Boone Elizabeth,	Levi Jacob,	Shippen S. S.,
Boyer F. W.,	Levi Mrs. Jacob,	Strauch H.,
Beath R. B.,	*Logne Charles,	Strauch Mrs. H.,
Beath Mary E.,	Leyser Adolph,	Scott E. G.,
Baird Mrs. E. C.,	Lazar Simon,	Saylor Mrs. C.,
Baird Bessie C.,	Lanigan Mrs. James,	Strouse Silas,
Bushar Mrs.,	Lawton Mary K.,	*Seville J. D.,
Carpenter John T.,	Lawton Hattie N.,	Strembeck L. A.,
Chubb S. S.,	Mathias J. J.,	Stein J. P.,
Clothier Clarkson,	Matz Wm. J.,	Sterner F. D.,
Chrisman Jacob,	Miller John M.,	Smith D. C.,
Claudy J. M.,	Myer F. P.,	Taylor B. T.,
Cake George M.,	Martz George,	Thompson L. C.,
Devenve Prentiss,	Mudey J. H.,	Terry A. Jr.,
Depman J. H.	Mortimer S. M.,	Thompson Mrs. S.,
*Dillman D. D.,	McCool B. B.,	Thompson H. S.,
*Dobson Oliver,	McCool Clarice,	Whitney W. L.,
Dornan H. C.,	McCool Emily J.,	Wells W. B.,
Dolan Joseph,	McCool Ellen D.	Whitney E. St. C.,
Donaldson Wm.,	McCool Sarah A.,	Whitney S. R.,
*Downey James,	Morris Mrs. R. R.,	Weston H. K.,
Dimnick Ebur,	Morris Mrs. John S.,	Werner John T.,
Edmonds H. R.,	*Newell Mrs. Anna S.,	Whitney Miss E. F.,
Esterly D. L.,	Newell Wm. H.,	Whitney Kate,
Farquhar F. G.,	Newell Wm.,	Wren Thomas,
Farquhar G. E.,	Nichols H. K.,	Whitney L. F.,
Foster Jesse,	Nichols Mrs. H. K.,	Wetherill J. M.,
Foster Mrs. Jesse,	Nichols M. R.,	Woltjen Charles H.,
Foster Sol.,	Nice D. E.,	Woltjen Henrietta W.,
Gressang H.,	Nagle James W.,	Wells Charles W.,
Green R. C.,	Nagle Mrs. Josephine,	*Woltjen Gustav.
Gillingham Anna,	Osler Jehu,	Whitner A. K.,
Grim Lewis,	Oppenheim E.,	Whitney Willie A.,
Godfrey T. A.,	Passmore J. A. M.,	Whitney N. Annie,
Grant James W.,	Parry Edward Owen,	Whitney Frank,
Garretson M. B.,	Potts Sarah M.,	Whitney Mary F.,
Graeff Jennie E.,	Pott Amelia,	Wilson J. K.
*Deceased.	Pott Emma,	

Officers, &c., for 1874-5.

PRESIDENT.

WILLIAM L. WHITNEY.

VICE PRESIDENTS,

REV. EMANUEL OPPENHEIM,

REV. A. PRIOR.

TREASURER.

HENRY C. RUSSEL.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

J. A. M. PASSMORE.

RECORDING SECRETARY.

JOHN P. BERTRAM.

MANAGERS.

MILTON BOONE, JOHN W. BICKEL,
GUY E. FARQUHAR, WM. R. SMITH,
WILLIAM B. WELLS.

FINANCE COMMITTEE,

MILTON BOONE, J. A. M. PASSMORE, GUY E. FARQUHAR.

RELIEF COMMITTEE,

REV. E. OPPENHEIM, JOHN W. BICKEL, WM. L. WHITNEY.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT AND PUBLICATION,

JOHN W. BICKEL, REV. A. PRIOR, JOHN P. BERTRAM.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICINE.

REV. E. OPPENHEIM.

COMMITTEE ON COAL.

MILTON BOONE, WM. B. WELLS.

COMMITTEE ON VAGRANCY, VICE, ETC.

REV. A. PRIOR, HENRY C. RUSSEL, GUY E. FARQUHAR.

Districts, &c.

District No. 1.—*South of Norwegian, west of Centre, and north of Clay Monument.*

SUPERVISOR.—Wm. B. Wells.

VISITORS.—C. H. Tyson, Miss Sarah Silliman, Mrs. Wm. B. Wells.

District No. 2.—*All south of Clay Monument.*

SUPERVISOR.—Guy E. Farquhar.

VISITORS.—Chas. H. Woltjen, Mrs. C. H. Woltjen.

District No. 3.—*East of Centre, south of Norwegian, and north of Clay Monument.*

SUPERVISOR.—John W. Bickel.

VISITORS.—Chas. W. Wells, Mrs. J. W. Bickel, Mrs. J. P. Stein.

District No. 4.—*East of Centre, north of Norwegian, west of Coal, and south of Gas Works.*

SUPERVISOR.—John P. Bertram.

VISITORS.—F. D. Fernsler, Mrs. F. D. Fernsler, Mrs. J. P. Bertram.

District No. 5.—*East of Coal and north of Norwegian.*

SUPERVISOR.—Milton Boone.

VISITORS.—Philip J. Klahr, Mrs. F. W. Hughes, Mrs. R. R. Morris.

District No. 6.—*Jalappa and Fishbaeh, north of Gas Works.*

SUPERVISOR.—Rev. A. Prior.

VISITORS.—Wm. J. Parker, Miss Abbie E. Freeland, Miss Sophie Carpenter.

District No. 7.—*North of Minersville, west of Centre.*

SUPERVISOR.—J. A. M. Passmore.

VISITORS.—Harry Hause, Mrs. Harry Hause, Mrs. Charles Spencer.

District No. 8.—*North of High, south of Minersville, and West of Spruce.*

SUPERVISOR.—Rev. Emanuel Oppenheim.

VISITORS.—Joseph Fisher, Mrs. E. Oppenheim, Mrs. Rebecca Bushar.

District No. 9.—*North of High, south of Minersville, east of Spruce and west of Centre.*

SUPERVISOR.—Henry C. Russel.

VISITORS.—H. B. Smith, Mrs. C. Little, Mrs. H. C. Russel.

District No. 10.—*South of High, north of Norwegian, and west of Centre.*

SUPERVISOR.—Wm. R. Smith.

VISITORS.—M. Rohrheimer, Mrs. J. T. Noble, Mrs. J. C. Harper.

REPORT.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF POTTSVILLE :

The period for rendering an account of our Stewardship has again recurred, and your Executive Board herewith respectfully presents its seventh annual report of the operations of the Association for the past year. In the performance of this duty, your committee cannot forbear to add the expression of its satisfaction at the working of the Association in all its departments. The operations of the past, like those of the preceding years of its existence, bear encouraging testimony to the usefulness and efficiency of our Society, as also, to the completeness of its organization.

The objects contemplated in the formation of the Association have been carried out as far as practicable, in letter and spirit. Based on the voluntary principle, it relies for its donations entirely on the free-will offerings of the charitable. It dispenses the funds entrusted to its care on the broad principles of charity, without distinction of creed, nationality or color, in the most simple, complete, and effective manner.

The events of the three last years are memorable in the annals of our Association. In the years 'seventy-two and 'three, disastrous fires have occurred, leaving numerous families without shelter, food or clothing. Encouraged by the prompt and generous acts of the citizens of Pottsville, our Association, by its well devised scheme of benevolence was enabled greatly to ameliorate, if not fully to relieve the suffering victims of the devouring element.

The year just closed, like the two preceding ones, has been distinguished as exceptional in the history of our Association. Though happily exempt from fire and flood and their attendant calamities, Pottsville, the field of our labors and sacrifices, was visited by that scourge of the human family, the small pox, unprecedented in the number of its victims to the pestilence. The poor were the principal

sufferers. The very sanitary measures adopted by the Borough authorities, to prevent the spread of the disease, but exaggerated the sufferings of its hapless victims, and made increased demands on the funds of the Association, a necessity. But thanks to the generous contributions of our worthy patrons, timely relief was extended to the destitute and helpless victims of this loathsome disease—none were allowed to suffer where human aid was possible. Of the amount expended by our society for the relief of this class of sufferers, \$139 73 was subsequently reimbursed by our Borough Council, thus meeting the wants of the managers and visitors of the Association in this trying emergency, to that extent.

Another source of affliction and distress among the ranks of the poor was caused by the financial troubles of the past year, resulting either wholly or in part, in the suspension of our iron manufactories and other workshops of industry. As a consequence many of their employes with families dependent on them, were thrown out of employment and were in temporary distress for want of work. Special efforts were required by the society's managers and visitors to obtain situations for this class of sufferers; and in most instances with gratifying success. Much good was done in this way. Many casualties resulting in the loss of life and limb and other serious injuries have occurred with unusual frequency during the past year, requiring the special attention of manager and visitor. These were all cared for and relief extended as far as human aid could reach their several cases. The help afforded to the bereaved and suffering of this class, can not be estimated by dollars and cents, and cannot fail to secure the blessing of God upon the members and workers of our philanthropic Association.

A summary of our work during the year now closed, gives the following results: Seventy-two families were furnished relief, consisting of flour, groceries and provisions, to the amount of \$468 30.

This relief was afforded through the several supervisors. By reference to the relief committees' report it will be seen that, through that channel, coal, amounting to \$274, and medicines to \$111 65, were dispensed. In the Treasurer's report will be found a classification of the relief granted, and the amount in the aggregate.

The Executive Board cannot close its report without expressing its sincere thanks to all who have in any way aided by their donations, interest or personal effort, the aims and objects of the Pottsville Benevolent Association. To this interest and assistance it largely owes its success; and it is upon these we rely in great part for its prosperity and success in the future. A review of the past years of our Asso-

ciation brings with it many pleasant reminiscences, and words of encouragement and tokens of future success. Seven years of well directed effort in ameliorating the condition of the poor, the helpless and the afflicted, have passed since we put our hands to the work, and we hesitate not to say our labor has not been in vain, but has proved a blessing and a success. In view of which, we thank God and take courage; and intend by His blessing to press forward in the good work with increased alacrity and zeal.

The efficient operation of our society is dependent principally on voluntary donations given by the charitably disposed citizens of Pottsville. Managed as it is, by willing and capable men and women, it dispenses to the helpless and deserving poor only, the funds entrusted to its care for this benevolent purpose. With regret and sorrow its managers often find themselves greatly restricted in their endeavors, to feed, warm and clothe the suffering, but really deserving poor, the objects of their sympathy and care.

It is hoped that the incoming board will not feel this want, but that a generous community will contribute liberally to the funds of the Association and thus show their appreciation of the Divine precept "open wide thy hand to thy brother, to thy poor, and to the needy of the land."

The work to which we stand pledged presents few features of special attractiveness. It is emphatically a work of love. It meets a present, visible, tangible, every day bodily want, and meets it in a simple and economical distribution of the funds entrusted our care. This work offers to its votaries no pecuniary rewards—no rose-colored enjoyments. But instead, it yields a peaceable consciousness of duty done, the *thrice welcome* recollection of cares lightened, of sickness healed, of grief assuaged, of want supplied, and of joys imparted to the sick and sorrowing. How assuring to those who practice its precepts, is the Divine command, coupled with the Divine promise "give alms of thy goods and never turn thy face from the poor man, and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee."

It will be remembered that some eighteen months since, a new enterprise was inaugurated by the managers of the Pottsville Benevolent Association, and has been in successful operation for the past year. We refer to the Home for children, an institution designed for the care and education of the poor and neglected children in our midst. For a full statement of the objects and operations of this noble charity, we refer you to the report of the Board of Managers herewith presented to the Association.

In the confident hope that the ensuing year will show a large increase of membership, a bountifully supplied treasury and willing hearts to aid us in carrying out our charitable work : The Executive Board present its Seventh Annual Report.

REV. A. PRIOR,
HENRY C. RUSSEL,
JOHN P. BERTRAM,
WILLIAM L. WHITNEY,
REV. E. OPPENHEIM,
J. A. M. PASSMORE,
WM. B. WELLS,
CHAS. H. WOLTJEN,
JOHN W. BICKEL,
MILTON BOONE,
WM. R. SMITH,
Executive Board.

Pottsville, Sept. 12, 1874.

Report of the Relief Committee.

The Relief Committee reports the following distributions of Coal and Medicines made during the year now closed :

Coal, 137 loads, valued at	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$274 00
Medicines, 224 prescriptions, value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	111 65
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								\$385 65

This unusually large number of medical prescriptions was owing to the prevalence of small-pox within the Borough, and to the many cases of that disease which fell to the care of the Association.

E. OPPENHEIM,	}	<i>Relief Committee.</i>
JNO. W. BICKEL,		
WM. L. WHITNEY,		

*Dr.***Benevolent Association***In ac't with* HENRY C.

1874.			
Sept. 12.	To District Orders,.....	No. 1,	\$84 75
	"	2,	50 00
	"	3,	5 00
	"	4,	18 00
	"	5,	6 00
	"	6,	89 00
	"	7,	110 00
	"	8,	31 00
	"	9,	19 00
	"	10,	64 50
			\$477 25
	" Relief Committee orders for coal,		12 20
	"	groceries,	8 26
	"	shoes,	6 40
			26 86
	" Executive Com. orders for coal,		212 42
	"	groceries,	114 78
	"	medicine,	91 69
	"	shoes,	43 85
	"	clothing,	10 62
	"	printing reports,	61 55
	"	nursing,	5 00
	"	special relief,	50 00
	"	removal of patients,	10 80
			\$600 71
	" Balance carried down,.....		75 62
			\$1180 44

of Pottsville.

Cr.

RUSSEL, *Treasurer.*

1874.

Sept. 12. By Receipts during the year, viz :

Individual Donations,.....	\$401 65
P. & R. Coal & I. Co. for Gaven's family,	50 00
• 1st Presbyterian Church,.....	92 00
Methodist Church,.....	58 65
Pulaski Lodge Supper Fund,.....	26 00
Am't refunded for error in bill,.....	4 20
"Wagers,"	16 00
Boro' Council for Small-pox relief,.....	139 73
Bal. on hand at last report,	392 21
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	\$1180 44

1874.

Sept. 13. By Balance,..... 75 62

HENRY C. RUSSEL, TREAS'R.

POTTSVILLE, Sept. 13, 1874.

Having compared the foregoing account of Henry C. Russel, Treasurer, with his vouchers and payments as set forth in said account, we find the same correct.

CHAS. H. WOLTJEN,
MILTON BOONE,
HARRY HAUSE,
Committee on Finance.

Donations to General Fund.

Altstadt F.....	\$1.00	Pott Emma.....	
Bertram J. P.....	5.00	Robertson A.....	25.00
Barker C. W.....	20.00	Ryon J. W.....	5.00
Bright M.....	10.00	Rohrheimer M.....	4.00
Church Meth. Episcopal.....	58.65	Reilly T. A.....	1.00
" 1st. Presbyterian.....	92.00	Smith D. C.....	1.00
Claudy J. M.....	1.00	Shuman W. H.....	10.00
Downey D. (found).....	.25	Shippen John.....	50.00
Foster Thos.....	1.40	Silliman Mary.....	5.00
Griscom S. E.....	1.00	Silliman Amanda.....	5.00
Gillingham Anna and Phoebe..	5.00	Silliman Sarah.....	5.00
Kuhn H.....	5.00	Silliman Ellen.....	5.00
Kopitzsch Mrs. C. F.....	10.00	Silliman Matilda.....	5.00
Kline J.....	10.00	Shippen S. S.....	40.00
Mudey J. H.....	5.00	Strauch Mr. and Mrs. H.....	5.00
Morris R. R.....	20.00	Strauch D. B.....	3.00
"Mail".....	1.00	Seidel D. B.....	10.00
Martz Geo.....	1.00	Thompson Mrs. E. C.....	10.00
Mathias J. J.....	1.00	"Thanks for 1873".....	7.00
Nichols Mrs. H. K.....	1.00	"Wagers".....	14.00
"Old Score".....	2.00	Weston H. K.....	1.00
Phila. & R. C. & I. Co.....	50.00	Werner J. T.....	10.00
Pott & Vastine.....	20.00	Weaver R. F.....	10.00
Pott Mrs. C.....	20.00	Whitney Kate.....	1.00
Prior Rev. A.....	8.00	Wells W. B.....	10.00
Petherick T.....	10.00	Wilson J. K.....	1.00
Pulaski Lodge, supper fund.....	26.00	Whitney W. L.....	10.00
Payne W. Y.....	1.00		

Donations in Kind.

Atkins C. M., 3 cars coal.
 Auman Samuel, Quilts, &c.
 Brown D. P., 3 cars coal.
 Foster Thos., 1 pair shoes.
 Haywood Mrs. B., blanket.

Miller J. M., books, printing, &c.
 Silliman Misses, bed clothing, &c.
 Sanderson J. T., medicines.
 Schrader J. W., advertising.
 Wood Jos. R., coal.

Charter.

WHEREAS, In populous communities, the evils of pauperism are found to press heavily on the poor by privation, and on the rich by taxation; and since experience shows that the comfort and well-being of society are liable to interruption by the disorderly conduct and crimes which too often accompany poverty, and, whereas, it is a duty admitted to be binding upon all persons, to aid in alleviating and preventing the misfortunes and sufferings of their fellow citizens: we, the undersigned, hereby agree to the following Constitution as the means by which actual distress will be best mitigated and removed, pauperism and its concomitant ills prevented, and employment and instruction provided for the indigent and needy.

ARTICLE I.

This society shall be called "THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF POTTSVILLE."

ARTICLE II.

Every person who shall subscribe to this Constitution, and pay to the Treasurer the sum of one dollar, shall be a member.

ARTICLE III.

The officers of this Association shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and five Managers, who jointly shall constitute an Executive Board, five of whom shall form a quorum.

ARTICLE IV.

The President, or in case of his absence, the Vice President shall preside at the meetings of the Association and Executive Board, and subscribe their official acts.

ARTICLE V.

The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the second Friday in October, fifteen forming a quorum; and the Executive Board shall meet at least once in each month.

ARTICLE VI.

The President, or in case of his absence, the Vice President, shall, at the request in writing of five members, call special meetings of the Association.

ARTICLE VII.

The Executive Board shall, at the annual meeting of the Association, lay before it a full report of its affairs.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Board shall have full authority to divide the Borough into districts; to appoint visitors, and to take such other measures as they may deem expe-

dient, to carry the objects of the Association into effect, and shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur in the Board.

ARTICLE IX.

The Treasurer shall report monthly to the Board, and shall at the annual meeting of the Association, lay before it a full statement of his accounts, and of the funds of the Association; and shall pay all orders drawn under the direction of the Association or Board.

ARTICLE X.

The Rec. Sec. shall keep minutes of the proceedings of the Association and of the Board; shall attest their official acts, and give notice of their meetings.

ARTICLE XI.

The correspondence of the Association and of the Board shall be under the charge of the Corresponding Secretary.

ARTICLE XII.

The members shall, at the annual meeting, elect by ballot the officers and managers of the Association, to serve for one year, or until a new board shall be elected.

ARTICLE XIII.

The Recording Secretary shall give at least three days notice in the newspapers, of the time and place of election, and of the meetings of the Association.

ARTICLE XIV.

The Executive Board may make any rules, regulations or By-Laws that they may think proper, not inconsistent with the Constitution.

Presented to the Court May 16, 1870.

June 10, 1870, Decree of Incorporation made.

Recorded Mis. book, No. 12, page 474, &c.

By-Laws.

I. Stated meetings shall be held on the fourth Friday in each month, at 7½ P. M., or on such other day and hour as the Board may appoint.

II. Special meetings may be called by the President, or a Vice President, at a written request of two members of the Board.

III. The order of business shall be as follows :

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| 1. Reading the Minutes. | 5. Deferred Business. |
| 2. Report of Treasurer. | 6. New Business. |
| 3. Reports of Standing Committees. | 7. Elections. |
| 4. Reports of Special Committees. | |

IV. The following Standing Committees shall be chosen by ballot, at the first meeting of the Board after the annual election :

1. A Committee on Finance, to consist of three members, to confer with the Treasurer, and have an oversight of the financial concerns.

2. A Relief Committee, to consist of three members.

V. Special Committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer. All committees shall report in writing.

VI. The Recording Secretary shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings.

VII. The Board shall elect by ballot suitable persons to fill vacancies which may occur in its body. A majority of the members present shall be necessary for a choice.

VIII. The borough shall be divided into ten districts, each of which shall be under the supervision of a member of the Board.

IX. Each member shall appoint as his assistants, one male and two female visitors.

X. Orders on the Treasurer for relief may be drawn by any member of the Board, for a sum not exceeding one dollar, and for sums exceeding one dollar, and not exceeding five dollars, by two members of the Relief Committee.

XI. For all bills approved by the Board, orders shall be drawn on the Treasurer, signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary.

XII. The Visitors shall thoroughly canvass their respective districts, and report to the Relief Committee the names and condition of the worthy poor therein, and the kind of relief needed.

XIII. The Relief Committee shall have control of the purchase and distribution of clothing and supplies ; and shall enter in a book an account of such purchase and distributions ; the names and residences of the parties relieved, and the kind and amount of relief granted. They shall report to the Board at each stated meeting.

XIV. The President, and any other member of the Executive Board, may draw orders for relief for sums not exceeding three dollars each.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION'S HOME FOR CHILDREN.

"Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones, a cup of cold water only, shall in no wise lose his reward."

TO THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF POTTSVILLE:

On the 24th day of May, 1873, this additional branch of your charity was opened for the exclusive aid of the little ones dependent on the cold charities of the world. One year ago a report was presented for the short space of time the Home had been in operation. It was then fairly inaugurated with fifteen children under its roof, and but little, at that time, could be said of its practical workings. We have now had the experience of a full year to guide us in the work, and we hope that its lessons will enure to the benefit of the great undertaking in our charge.

The past year of the Home has been a decided success. We have had cares and trials, it is true, and oftentimes our hearts were fearful by the way, but with the steady determination to do the good we could, with the means a generous public have placed at our command, we have endeavored to make the Home what it should be, and the testimony of friends who visit proves, that our labors have not been in vain. Several times during the year was our treasury empty and even overdrawn, and oftentimes did we feel as though the enterprise might languish, but always when the clouds were the darkest, the sunshine would suddenly burst forth, and the donation of some friend, whom God had prompted to remember the Children's Home, would again gladden our hearts.

Our system of *voluntary contributions*—the ground and the pillar upon which the Benevolent Association of Pottsville rests—has been rigidly adhered to. We have no doubt that greater temporary results might have been attained by the pressure of solicitation in person and by letter, to certain charitably disposed individuals, but such expedients are short-lived and must be oft repeated, thus rendering the work irksome to those engaged in it and a continual source of annoyance to

those importuned. God loves a cheerful giver, and let every man give as his heart and means incline him. Let the public then understand that we throw the burden of its support upon the people, and that upon them will depend the weal or woe of this charity.

In December last we permanently organized our school. The progress of the children in learning has been most remarkable, especially is this strikingly manifest when we reflect that nearly all children had been without home culture and with but little schooling. One drawback to the school, has been the change of teachers. Its future success would be assured if we could get a suitable person to take charge of the school permanently, as these frequent changes are very detrimental.

The religious training of the children has been carefully attended to while everything partaking of a sectarian character has been zealously eschewed. Healthy religious instruction has been given in the school-room and at the children's gatherings during the week, while every Sunday afternoon, the regular Sunday-school services were held. We cannot permit this opportunity to pass without noticing the faithful and earnest attention here shown to the children by the young lady who so kindly and generously has devoted her Sunday afternoons in giving the children this much desired instruction. The progress they have made in Scriptural truth is wonderful and the members of the Association and the public generally are invited to cheer the children by their presence at these exercises.

The discipline of the Home has been excellent. Mrs. A. Bigelow, the matron seems to be the right person for the place. Her heart is in the work, and the love and respect shown to her by the children prove, that while she manages with decision, love and affection are the controlling influences which produce the happy and home-like condition of affairs at the Home.

The domestic department of the Home has been carefully and economically managed, and the general condition of the furniture, clothing, bedding, &c., is all that could be expected of an institution so recently established. The sewers for the Home have done a good work which has had a marked effect on the appearance of the children and the comfort of the sleeping apartments.

The food has been good and substantial, due regard has been paid to variety, and an examination of the monthly bills of fare for every meal during the month regularly reported to the board by the matron and filed, will, at all times show to the public the management of this department of the household.

During the year the various festivals and holidays were observed. Kind friends made generous donations of good things, and the little ones were thus afforded the same pleasures that children generally so eagerly anticipate and enjoy.

During the past year the receipts of the Home has been \$1390.15, and the expenditures \$2631.96. For a detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures, we would refer the public to the report of the Treasurer, and the lists of donations in cash and in kind accompanying this report.

There have been admitted to the Home in all, thirty-one children, of whom six have been taken away or placed in good homes with suitable families, leaving the number of children now under care twenty-five.

God has blessed our Home with health, not a single death has occurred since its opening, and but little disease has existed. As a general thing the children have been healthy, happy and contented.

We would at this time especially call the attention of the Association to the importance of procuring a permanent place for the Home. No more suitable place can be obtained as far as health and pleasant surroundings are concerned, though the privacy of the place is continually invaded by all kinds of entertainments, but we feel that we are mere sojourners at our present place, and may at any time be sent away. As long as we must *rent* a place, this feeling will prevail, and many improvements and conveniences must be dispensed with, which would add to the efficiency and usefulness of this charity. We, therefore, hope that active measures will be taken to procure a Home that we can truly call our own. May an All-wise Providence put it into the hearts of his people to provide this necessity for his friendless little ones. Let all give this matter serious and prayerful consideration, and we look forward to a realization of the heartfelt wish of every friend of the Home.

Our acknowledgments are especially due to the proprietors of the newspapers who have done us so many acts of kindness in making known our wants, and to those who have furnished to the Home copies of these papers.

The labors and experiences of the year, the good the work has wrought, the children rescued from vice and infamy, and the sad reflection that there are many more neglected little ones in our midst who have not yet been reached, inspire us with courage to proceed with our work with renewed energy. If it be noble to extend the hand of charity to the needy of any class, it is holy to sustain and up-

hold the helpless little child who in no way is responsible for his misery and affliction. No better work can man engage in, and believing that this community has become fully aroused to the importance of the enterprise, and that a renewed interest will be manifested on the appearance of this report, we enter upon another year of our labor with the hope and belief that the blessings of Heaven will continue to rest upon the work, and that He who doth not permit even a sparrow to fall without his notice, will imbue the hearts of the people with a spirit of charity that will cause them to emulate each other in the doing of good works so that the lambs of his flock may have nurture and care.

JOHN W. BICKEL,
LEVI HUBER,
JAMES W. NAGLE,
Committee.

Pottsville, September 12th, 1874.

Approved by the Board of Managers.

J. A. M. PASSMORE, *Prest.*

Attest : JAS. W. NAGLE, *Sec'y.*

October 3rd, 1874.

Report of Matron.

It is a little more than a year since I began my labor among the destitute children of Pottsville. It has been a year of responsibility and pleasure.

My relations with the Managers of the Home have ever been of the most pleasant kind. They have always shown themselves willing to aid and assist in every time of need, and have exhibited undaunted zeal in the work.

During the year the Home has sheltered and cared for thirty-one children. Some of whom have come to us in a most deplorable condition. Twenty-seven were duly surrendered to the Home, and four temporarily sheltered. Three have been returned to their parents, they having proven themselves competent to provide for them. One little girl whom we took in temporarily, showing symptoms of small-pox was sent to the Hospital, and has since returned to her parents. Another who ran away from home was elaimed and taken by her father. Two girls have been taken by families upon trial, but proving unsatisfactory were returned.

One girl is now out upon trial, leaving us in the Home to-day, twenty-five children enjoying perfect health, well fed, clothed and cared for, and as happy as it is possible for children to be.

During the year a slight form of measles made its appearance among the children, with that exeption we have had no sickness since the organization of the Home.

Every attention possible is given to cleanliness and order, and in endeavoring to cultivate feelings of self-respect and industry. Much of the work of the Home is performed by the children.

We have a most interesting sabbath-school organized with the beginning of the Home which is, and has been from the start, greatly assisted by the genial presence and teachings of Miss Sarah Loeser, a young lady who has shown much interest and love for the inmates of the Home. We have also during the year had a day school but are now without a teacher. The children have shown themselves apt and eager for knowledge.

We look with pity upon these poor, hungry-eyed little children. In a few years, and they would have become a most dangerous element of society. Every thoughtful philanthropist feels that the right thing

to do in the way of reform is to take these children from their wretched surroundings and place them in a comfortable home where they can be trained to useful and honorable lives.

To Divine Providence who has protected our lives and health we are indebted. He will bless the founders of this noble work and hereafter many will rise up and say, "I was an hungered, and ye fed me ; I was naked, and ye clothed me ; I was lost, and ye saved me."

MRS. A. BIGELOW,
Matron.

Pottsville, September 12, 1874.

Officers of the Home for 1874.

PRESIDENT.

J. A. M. PASSMORE.

VICE PRESIDENT.

MILTON BOONE.

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F. W. BOYER.

DENTIST.

G. N. BOWMAN.

BARBER.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

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Committee on Admission and Dismission.—MRS. JAMES LANIGAN *Chairman*; MRS. JNO. P. STEIN, JAS. W. NAGLE, F. W. BOYER, REV. E. OPPENHEIM.

Committee on Household.—MRS. R. R. MORRIS, *Chairman*; MRS. T. A. RILEY, MRS. THEO. GARRETSON, MRS. BUSHAR, WM. L. WHITNEY.

Committee on Purchases.—J. A. M. PASSMORE, *Chairman*; MILTON BOONE, MRS. GARRETSON, MRS. F. B. KAERCHER, MRS. E. C. BAIRD.

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Committee on Property.—MILTON BOONE, *Chairman*; LEVI HUBER, JNO. W. BICKEL.

Committee on Reports and Publication.—JNO. W. BICKEL, *Chairman*; JAS. W. NAGLE, LEVI HUBER.

Preamble,

AND ARTICLES OF GOVERNMENT.

WHEREAS, the Benevolent Association of Pottsville has long been impressed with the belief that the objects and aims of its organization would be promoted and its usefulness enlarged, by the institution and maintenance of a Home for Children; and

WHEREAS, It is believed that the time has come when it is proper to move toward the establishment of such a charity, and that its undertaking in this behalf will receive an abundant support from a people noted for their generosity and benevolence, it is determined and resolved by said Association, to establish and maintain such a Home: and for that purpose it hereby ordains and adopts the following Articles, Rules and Regulations for its organization, management, control and support:

Art. 1. The institution shall be named and called "The Benevolent Association's Home for Children."

Art. 2. The object and design of the Home shall be to afford a home, food, clothing and schooling for destitute, neglected and friendless children, and, at a suitable age, to place them with respectable persons or families, to learn some useful trade or occupation.

Art. 3. The government and management of the Home shall be entrusted to a Board of Managers, to consist of twenty-one persons, twelve males and nine females; all of whom shall be members of the Benevolent Association of Pottsville. They shall be chosen at a meeting of the Association, to be called and held for that purpose, on the first Friday in April, 1873, in the manner following, to wit: Seven managers to serve for one year; seven managers to serve for two years, and seven managers for three years; and at a meeting to be held that day, in every succeeding year, the said Association shall elect seven managers to serve three years. The proportion of males to females shall always be as four to three.

Art. 4. The Board of Managers shall annually elect from their number a President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary. They shall fill vacancies in the Board until the next annual election; they shall make such laws, rules and regulations for the management and control of the Home, as they may deem fit and proper, not repugnant to these articles or to the charter of the said Association; provided, however, that in the admission of children into the Home, and their treatment therein, no distinction shall be made on account of race, color or religious creed.

Art. 5. The Board of Managers shall meet statedly once every month, and seven managers shall constitute a quorum. They shall report in writing to the said Association, at its annual meeting, or oftener, if they shall desire, or if they are requested so to do. Their annual report shall contain a detailed statement of their operations and transactions.

Art. 6. The Executive Board of the Benevolent Association, of Pottsville, shall set apart from time to time, out of its funds, for the use of the Home, such sums of money as it shall deem proper. All appropriations, donations, legacies and bequests, which shall be especially made to, or for the use of said Home, shall be applied thereto, and to no other purpose.

Art. 7. The Treasurer of said Benevolent Association shall be, ex-officio, Treasurer of the Home. He shall so keep his books and accounts, that they will exhibit, separately, the financial condition and transactions of said Home and Association. He shall pay out moneys for the use of the Home only upon orders which shall be drawn in form and manner to be prescribed by the Board of Managers.

Art. 8. The Executive Board of the Benevolent Association of Pottsville, shall be official visitors of the Home.

Art. 9. These articles shall not be altered except by the said Benevolent Association, at an annual or special meeting thereof.

By-Laws.

Art. 1. Stated meetings shall be held on the third Saturday in each month at 4 o'clock, P. M.

Art. 2. Special meetings may be called by the President or Vice President, at the written request of two members of the Board.

Art. 3. The order of business shall be as follows :

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| 1. Reading the Minutes. | 5. Deferred Business. |
| 2. Report of Treasurer. | 6. New Business. |
| 3. Reports of Standing Committees. | 7. Elections. |
| 4. Reports of Special Committees. | |

Art. 4. The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Board of Managers, at the first stated meeting of the Board after the annual election :

1. A Committee on finance, to consist of three members, to confer with the Treasurer, and have an oversight of the financial concerns.
 2. A Committee on Admission and Dismission to consist of five member.
 3. A Committee on Household, to consist of five members.
 4. A Committee on Purchases, to consist of five members.
 5. A Committee on Education, to consist of three members.
 6. A Committee on Property, to consist of three members.
 7. A Committee on Reports and Publications, to consist of three members.
- These committees shall report in writing.

Art. 5. To the Committee on Admission and Dismission all applicants for admission shall be referred, and by it decided. The committee shall keep a book of registry, in which shall be entered the name and age of every child received, also the date of admission, whence, and from whom, received ; if the children have near connections, the degree of kindred and residence of the same ; whether the children have had the measles, whooping cough, small pox, or scarlet fever, and whether they have been vaccinated, together with other circumstances which may be of importance to them, or the institution, at a future day. When the children are placed out, this record shall state particularly with whom, the residence or occupation of master or mistress, and particularly note the day of removal from the Home, whether by death or otherwise ; also the change of place which may occur with the children after leaving the Home.

Art. 6. The Household Committee shall visit the Home once a week, and oftener, if necessary. They shall see that its affairs are administered with order, prudence, and economy ; that proper attention is paid to the habits, manners and persons of the children ; also that peace, harmony and religion are cultivated. They shall also keep a book for the purpose of entering all gifts and benefits conferred on the Home, which do not appear on the Treasurer's record.

Art. 7. The Committee on Purchases shall provide for the wants of the Home and make all necessary purchase for the same. The care of this Committee, also, shall extend to the children's clothing.

Art. 8. The Committee on Education shall direct the course of instruction, visit the school weekly, and provide whatever may be needed for the use of the school.

Art. 9. For all bills approved by the Board, orders shall be drawn on the Treasurer, signed by the President, or in his absence by the Vice President, and countersigned by the Secretary.

Art. 10. By special permission of the Committee on Admission and Dismission, children under peculiar circumstances may be temporarily sheltered and cared for until some provision can be made for them.

Art. 11. Amendments, alterations, or additions to these By-Laws may be made at any stated meeting, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, notice having been given at a previous meeting.

Rules for Admission.

Art. 1. No child shall be admitted into the Home under four years, or over twelve years of age.

Art. 2. No child shall be admitted who is suffering from an incurable or contagious disease.

Art. 3. All children must be vaccinated on or before admission.

Art. 4. A Manager of the Benevolent Association's Home for Children, or some other suitable person, must be constituted guardian for any child admitted into the House.

Art. 5. No child shall be excluded from admission to the House on account of race, color or creed.

Art. 6. Any child presented for admission may be refused by a majority vote of the Committee, after a thorough examination of the candidate for admission shall have been made.

Art. 7. This Committee shall meet once a week for the consideration of applications for admission (if there be any), and three members shall constitute a quorum.

Art. 8. Any child in the Home becoming incorrigible (after sufficient effort has been put forth for its management), may be dismissed by a unanimous vote of the Committee.

Art. 9. This Committee shall keep a book in which all the names of the children admitted shall be entered, with a complete history of each child. This book shall be open at any time to the inspection of the Managers of the Home, and official visitors of the Home.

Art. 10. One member at least of this Committee shall visit the Home, once every week.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of this Committee to secure suitable places for, or apprentice to trades, the children when they arrive at the age of seventeen (17), or earlier. The wishes of a child shall always be consulted when so doing.

Art. 12. These articles can, at any time, be altered or amended by a majority vote of the Managers.

Dr.

Benevolent Association's

In ac't with HENRY C.

Home for Children.

Cr.

RUSSEL, *Treasurer.*

1873.			
Sept. 13.	By balance per account rendered.....	\$1136.54	
" 19.	" cash received from Home Collection box.....	17.27	
" 23.	" cash " S. Ruch, 4 weeks board of children.....	12.00	
Oct. 15.	" cash " B. Bannan.....	25.00	
" 18.	" cash " Collection box.....	3.33	
" 27.	" cash " S. Ruch, 4 weeks board.....	12.00	
" 28.	" cash " Susie Wells, &c., fair.....	3.91	
" 30.	" cash " M. Boone.....	30.00	
Nov. 17.	" cash " Collection box.....	.77	
" 18.	" cash " " ".....	4.00	
" 24.	" cash " W. R. Williams.....	5.00	
" 24.	" cash " Jas. Larkin.....	5.00	
" 30.	" cash " S. Ruch, 4 weeks board.....	12.00	
Dec. 5.	" cash " T. H. Walker.....	5.00	
" 5.	" cash " Jesse Whitney.....	5.00	
" 5.	" cash " Jacob Levi.....	2.00	
" 16.	" cash " J. T. Werner.....	10.00	
" 17.	" cash " Bessie and Marie Thompson.....	10.00	
" 17.	" cash " Mrs. J. W. Weber.....	5.00	
" 17.	" cash " Mrs. M. Weber.....	5.00	
" 24.	" cash " Collection box at Gas Co.....	6.16	
" 24.	" cash " " " at Home.....	4.60	
" 24.	" cash " Friend of Home.....	20.00	
" 27.	" cash " Thos. Petherick.....	5.00	
" 27.	" cash " James Muir.....	10.00	
" 27.	" cash " Z. P. Boyer.....	5.00	
1874.			
Jan. 2.	" cash " S. Ruch, 1 month's board.....	12.00	
" 5.	" cash " Mollie Johnson.....	2.50	
" 5.	" cash " R. F. Weaver.....	15.00	
" 19.	" cash " Jacob Kline.....	10.00	
" 19.	" cash " Dr. Smiley's school fair.....	153.83	
" 22.	" cash " S. Ruch, 1 month's board.....	12.00	
" 22.	" cash " Ruch & Evans.....	5.50	
" 22.	" cash " Collections at Home.....	4.27	
" 30.	" cash " A Robertson.....	25.00	
Feb. 16.	" cash " J. Sullivan for board.....	6.00	
Mar. 5.	" cash " S. Ruch, 1 month's board.....	12.00	
" 16.	" cash " T. R. Quay.....	1.00	
" 16.	" cash " T. Cooch.....	5.00	
" 16.	" cash " Dramatic Association of Phila.....	37.65	
" 19.	" cash " J. Sullivan, board.....	6.00	
" 24.	" cash " W. J. Hinkle on acc't main't children... ..	8.00	
" 28.	" cash " S. Ruch, 1 month's board.....	12.00	
Ap'l 2.	" cash " G. Beyerle.....	1.00	
" 11.	" cash " Dr. Belville.....	5.00	
" 14.	" cash " P. W. Sheaffer.....	100.00	
" 20.	" cash " A. Robertson.....	25.00	
" 24.	" cash " W. J. Hinkle on acc't maintenance.....	8.00	
" 24.	" cash " M. Murphy, board.....	1.00	

Dr.

Benevolent Association's

In ac't with HENRY C.

1874.

Sept. 12. For orders paid for Home expense, viz:

Groceries and provisions, &c.....	\$1275.22
Dry Goods.....	57.17
Shoes and mending.....	34.35
Furniture and repairs.....	195.37
Coal and hauling.....	75.88
Domestics' wages.....	212.69
Matron's salary.....	312.86
Rent, &c.....	203.00
Purchase of cow, &c.....	63.55
Printing reports, &c.....	50.50
Dr. Boyer for removal of sick child.....	7.50
School teacher, and expenses.....	143.87

\$2631.96

Sept. 13. To balance..... \$105 27

Home for Children.

Cr.

RUSSEL, *Treasurer.*

Ap'l 24.	"	cash	"	Collection box.....	3.37
" 24.	"	cash	"	J. W. Nagle.....	5.00
" 24.	"	cash	"	B. Haywood.....	100.00
" 24.	"	cash	"	W. L. Whitney.....	20.00
May 2.	"	cash	"	S. Ruch, 4 weeks board.....	12.00
" 15.	"	cash	"	J. Sullivan for board.....	10.80
" 20.	"	cash	"	B. B. McCool for Hinkle's children.....	8.00
June 6.	"	cash	"	S. Ruch, 1 month's board.....	12.00
" 9.	"	cash	"	P. W. Shaefer.....	100.00
" 16.	"	cash	"	H. C. Dornan.....	10.00
" 16.	"	cash	"	A. Colborn.....	5.00
" 16.	"	cash	"	J. R. Hegeman.....	5.00
" 16.	"	cash	"	Friend.....	1.00
" 18.	"	cash	"	J. W. Nagle, bal.....	3.20
" 22.	"	cash	"	Do for board.....	15.00
" 22.	"	cash	"	Collection box.....	3.18
" 29.	"	cash	"	Sale of calf.....	10.00
" 29.	"	cash	"	Proceeds of fair at Home.....	93.38
" 30.	"	cash	"	G. Beyerle.....	1.00
July 2.	"	cash	"	S. Ruch, 4 weeks board.....	12.00
" 6.	"	cash	"	B. Bannan.....	25.00
" 11.	"	cash	"	Morris Add. children's fair.....	60.88
" 27.	"	cash	"	W. H. Shuman.....	1.00
Aug. 5.	"	cash	"	S. Ruch 4 weeks board.....	12.00
" 7.	"	cash	"	M. Boone.....	50.00
" 7.	"	cash	"	C. Baber.....	100.00
" 8.	"	cash	"	W. J. Huntzinger.....	2.00
" 29.	"	cash	"	Mrs. Hammcken's pic-nic.....	1.50
Sept. 3.	"	cash	"	S. Ruch, 4 weeks board.....	12.00
" 12.	"	cash	"	Henry Potts.....	5.00
" 12.	"	cash	"	Balance carried down.....	105.27
					<u>\$2631.96</u>

E. E. HENRY C. RUSSEL, *Treas.**Pottsville, September 13, 1874.*

We have examined the above account of the Treasurer and find it to be correct.

SOLOMON FOSTER,
ROBT. C. GREEN.

Pottsville, October 13, 1874.

Donations to "Home" Fund.

Bannan B	\$50.00	Larkin Jas	5.00
Boone M	80.00	Levi Jacob	2.00
Boyer Z. P	5.00	Muir Jas	10.00
Beyerle G	2.00	Nagle J. W	5.00
Belville Rev. Dr	5.00	" bal. of fund	3.20
Baber C	100.00	Petherick T	5.00
Cooch T	5.00	Potts Henry	5.00
Colborn A	5.00	Quay T. R	1.00
Dramatic Ass'n Phila	37.65	Rueh & Evans	5.50
Dornan H. C.	10.00	Robertson A	50.00
Fair held by S. Wells & others	3.91	Sheafer P. W	200.00
Fair held at Home	93.38	Shuman W. H	1.00
Fair by Morris addit. children	60.88	Thompson Bessie and Marie...	10.00
Fair by Dr. Smiley's school...	153.83	Williams W. R	5.00
Friend	1.00	Walker T. H	5.00
Friend of Home	20.00	Whitney Jesse	5.00
Haywood Benj	100.00	Werner J. T	10.00
Hegeman J. R	5.00	Weber Mrs. J. W	5.00
Huntzinger W. J	2.00	Weber Mrs. Mary	5.00
Hammeken's Mrs., Pie-nie	1.50	Weaver R. F	15.00
Johnson Mollie	2.50	Whitney W. L	20.00
Kline Jacob	10.00	Col. boxes at Home, &c	47.00

Donations in Kind.

Althouse Mrs. D. S., sugar, rice, jelly, pickles, catsup, magazines.	Boyer Mrs. Z. P., cake and hick- ory nuts.
Atkins Mrs. C. M., clothing.	Baird Mrs. E. C., dress and pair shoes, box of candies, rocking chair.
Andrews Mrs., 3 pair stockings.	Baird Mrs. T. J., box of candies, dolls.
Boyd Col. W. H., Pottsville Di- rectory, barrel of apples.	Brown Mrs. D. P., nuts, cake, sack, girl's thimbles.
Bushar Mrs., 5 pies, basket cakes, and set of ten pins, candies and toys.	Barker Chas. W., 5 lbs. candies.
Beehtel Mrs. O. P., 1 turkey, ap- ples, candies, 2 chickens.	Bowen Mrs. James W., 5 books, and lot of periodicals.
Beatty Mrs. Jas. B., 1 turkey, cranberries and apples, cloth- ing, turkey, 2 doz. oranges, clothing.	Bright Mrs. Joseph C., 6 photo- graphs and 6 mottoes.
Boone Mrs. Milton, doughnuts, vinegar, walnuts and hickory nuts, 1 cooked turkey, 1 doz. cups and saucers, and 6 plates, eggs.	Burkhart Bros., 5 lbs. candies.
	Bickel Mrs. J. W., cakes.
	Bigelow Mrs. A., 2 pair shoes.
	Baird Miss Bessie, Sunday school papers, book, dress.
	Boone Milton, 2 loads coal.

- Bates Geo., piece of easimere.
 Bellville Maggie, Sunday school cards.
 Bosbyshell O. C. 6 motto pictures.
 Contributors to sewing room table, Mrs. Garretson, Sterner, Lanigan, Baird, Stein, Kaercher, Whitney, Morris, Reily, Brown.
 Contributed for making boys suits \$4.00, Mrs. Baird, Reily, Garretson, Morris, Whitney, Kaercher.
 Cox Mrs., clothing and pickles.
 Carter Miss Sallie, 1 water proof.
 Company Pottsville Water, donation for year's rent, (\$11.)
 Cooch Mrs., clothing.
 Crouse Mrs., making 2 boys' shirts.
 Colborn A., fixtures for 18 pictures.
 Dewees Lewis, books.
 Dornan Harry C., plaster east.
 Davis H. H., 38 pair stockings.
 Dobson Mrs., 1 fruit cake, 4 lbs. candies and hickory nuts.
 Davis Mrs. G. B., 2 dresses.
 Epting Mrs. Jacob, 2 chickens.
 Evans George, 1 ham.
 Friend A., potatoes, beets, cabbage, aprons and toys, 3 pair night drawers, 1 doz. hair pins, magazines, 1 doz. boy's and girl's own magazines, 6 cane seated chairs, 1 bedstead, 1 spring bottom, 6 boxes tooth powder, potatoes and beets, clothing, bread, crackers, pickles, 10 qts. blackberries.
 Fisher Joseph H. 2 blouses.
 Foster H. R., repairs on water pipes, (\$6.00.)
 Fair Childrens', tidy.
 Fister Miss E., 12 shakers, and 5 girl's hats.
 Griseom S.E., book entitled "Scattered seeds," 1 book, Chatterbox, Life of Twist, George Muller's Narrative.
 Green R. C., 1 bell, 1 clock.
 Garretson, Mrs. T., apples, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, turkey, plaid, clothing, can of lard, white marseilles quilt, pin cushion, mats, eggs, 4 pair stockings, vegetables, cakes, shoes, vegetables, 30 lbs. sugar, bucket, clothing, tomatoes, plums, and sugar.
 Garrigues L. P., toy books.
 Glover Mrs. Sue. H., 4 lb. candy, crock of lard.
 Green Mrs. R. C., turkey and oranges, 2 skirts.
 Glenn & Son, 1 bbl. flour, 23 lb. buckwheat.
 Glassmire Wm., 6 lbs. beef.
 Guldin, Mrs. J. A., eggs.
 Hewes Mrs. John G., bed comforts.
 Henderson Mrs. A., 1 pair stockings, hominy.
 Halberstadt Mrs. Dr., 1 overcoat.
 Hawley Miss, tomatoes, crullers, candy and ginger snaps.
 Huntzinger Jacob, 2 bbls. flour.
 Haywood Mrs., cakes.
 Halberstadt Harry and Howel, books, games, dolls and toys.
 Hyde Miss Rebeeca, 3 pair mittens, dolls and toys.
 Hughes Mrs. F., potatoes and apples.
 Hehr Mrs. Geo. J., candies.
 Hartz Mrs., clothing.
 Halberstadt Baird, 1 coat.
 Harris Mrs. L. C., Basket, books and papers, clothing.
 Hop, Lethan Calico, 179½ yds. calico, 12 yds. gingham, 41½ yds. unbleached muslin, 2½ yds. crash, 20½ yds. bleached muslin, 4 yds. tieking, 24 spools thread, and 12 cakes of soap.
 Hammeken Mrs., School Pie-nie, cakes, crackers, cheese, bread, bologna, pickles, \$1.50 in money.
 Heebner Libbie, 1 sun bonnet.

- Jones E. W., Daily Journal.
 Jones Mrs., cherries.
 Kuhn Herman, listing.
 Kaereher Mrs. F. B., plaid dress goods, 1 ham, cakes, sack, tidy, table-cloth, bureau cover and mats, eggs, 8 yds. check. clothing, molasses can, 2 doz. spoons, dipper.
 Kaereher Miss Susie, the Nurse-ries and christmas toys.
 Klahr B. & Co, 50 lbs soap.
 Kennedy John R., 2 turkeys prepared and roasted.
 Kaereher Daniel W., map and game.
 Kaereher Col. F. B., 189 lbs beef.
 Kohler's Ellie S. class, bread and rolls.
 Kopitzsch C. F., box of soap.
 Lanigan Mrs., 2 pair stockings, foot stool, turkey, cranberries, sugar, clothing, molasses, eggs, 2 bolsters, pair slippers. carpet.
 Lichtenberg I. J., 1 turkey.
 Loeser Miss Sarah, oranges.
 Lindsley P., toy books and St. Nicholas
 Lee Mrs. R. F., apples.
 Lewis Willie A., hickory nuts and walnuts.
 Lewis Miss Ella, cakes.
 Lanigan Miss Laura, candies and fixings for trees, flannel waist.
 Loeser Mrs., candies.
 Ladies of Institute, hoods, scarfs, gloves, 21 handkerchiefs.
 Loechel H., 10 loaves bread, 12 loaves bread, 12 loaves bread, 12 loaves bread.
 Moorehead Mrs., clothing.
 Morris Mrs. John S., 1 comfort.
 Morris Mrs. R. R., clothing, one turkey, pies, candies, toys, games, 2 coats, eggs, 15 yards cucumbers, 15 doz. corn, 6 dozen cucumbers.
 Medlar Mr. A. J., 1 turkey and mince pies.
 Medlar Mrs. A. J., lot of apples.
 Miller J. M., books, games, illuminated mottoes.
 Myer Frank, 3 window catches, 1 lamp shade, 18 doz. corn.
 Matten Mrs. J., clothing.
 Miesse D. W., ice cream.
 Nichols Mr. H. K., clothing.
 Norwegian Street pie-nie, bread sugar, coffee.
 Nichols M. R., eggs,
 Nagle E. S. pie-nie, bread, four watermelons.
 Newell E. S., box of toys.
 Petherick Mrs. Thomas, 4 pair woolen stockings, 4 pair stockings.
 Pott, Mrs. John, 2 pair stockings, sweet potatoes, cranberries, 2 pair stockings.
 Pearce Mrs., 1 comfort.
 Pott Miss Emma, christmas tree ornaments.
 Passmore J. A. M., stove, pipe and zinc.
 Pie-nie Crystal Social, bread and cakes.
 Passmore Mrs., clothing, apple and pumpkin pies.
 Pie-nie Family, muslin and ice cream.
 Presbyterian S. S. Pie-nie, bread, crackers, cakes, bologna.
 Pie-nie of Methodist S. S., four loaves bread.
 Pie-nie of 2nd Presbyterian S. S. bread, rolls, butter, coffee, sugar, ham, cheese, cake.
 Reilly Mrs. T., potatoes and celery, 10 transparent slates, candies, and tree ornaments, 3 bu. potatoes, eggs.
 Russel Mrs. Susan, 1 doz. towels.
 Ruch Mrs. John, doughnuts and apples.
 Robertson Mrs. Andrew, 4 cans preserved fruit, mince pies, lot of cakes.
 Richards David, 1 book.

- Stine Mrs J. P., woolen stockings,
 2 crocks of pickles, corn, beans,
 rolls, 22 bags of candy, tree
 trimmings, dress, basket eggs,
 pickles, rhubarb.
 Stall Mrs. A., 2 pair shoes.
 Smiley Mrs. George W., 6 school
 desks.
 Strouse Myer, groceries.
 Stichter Valentine, bedstead.
 Shuman W. H., 2 bushels pota-
 toes, 4 chickens.
 Stein Florence, 2 skirts, dress.
 Smith Alice, 3 pair stockings.
 Strembeck Mrs. L. A., Sunday
 school charts.
 Shertle Daniel, 4 pair shoes.
 Shumway & Co., $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. books.
 Smith W. R., 1 turkey.
 Strouse Mrs. Myer, 9 pair stock-
 ings.
 Sullivan J. A., 1 book.
 Turner Mrs, cakes.
 Thompson Miss Mamie, clothngi.
 Thompson Mrs. L. C, 2 dresses.
 Whitfield R., barrel of flour.
 Whitney Mrs. Wm. L., dough-
 nuts, dress, coat, eggs, shoes
 and clothing, clothing, dolls.
 Whiting's S. B. children, \$2 in
 cash.
 Whitney L. F., 1 turkey, eggs.
 Whitner Mrs. A. K., clothing, 1
 quilt.
 Walker E. J., butter, eggs.
 Whitney Miss Kate, books, cakes,
 snaps.
 Wheeler W. C., 25 lbs. sugar and
 saw.
 Wells Chas. W., S. S. papers, 16
 bible pictures.
 Woltjen Mrs. C. H., clothing, 2
 shovels.
 Yuengling D. G., 8 bu. potatoes.
 Stranger A, Ten Dollars.
 Conner J. J., Ten Dollars.
 Farquhar Mrs. Amelia, One Dol-
 lar.

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FORM OF A BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to THE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF POTTSVILLE, [*or if to the Home, add*] for the use of its Home for Children, the sum of.....Dollars.